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Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an Amendment for the above-identified application.



No additional fee is required.



The additional fee has been calculated as shown below:

CLAIMS AS AMENDED

	Claims Remaining After Amendment	Highest No. Covered by Previous Payments	Extra	Rate	Additional Fee
Total Claims*	47 -	41	6	\$18.00/ \$9.00	\$ 108.00
Independent Claims	5 -	5	0	\$86.00/ \$43.00	\$ 0
Multiple Dependent Claims	(If claims added by amendment include Multiple Dependent Claim(s) and there was no Multiple Dependent Claim(s) in application before amendment add \$280.00 to additional fee (\$140.00 for small entity).				\$ 0
TOTAL					\$ 108.00

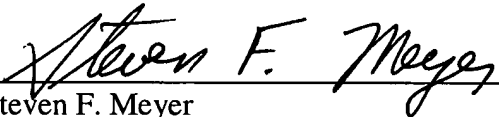
*Includes all independent and single dependent claims and all claims referred to in multiple dependent claims. See 37 C.F.R. §1.75(c).

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- ☒ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required for filing this amendment, including all fees pursuant to 37 CFR §1.17 for its timely consideration, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 13-4500, Order No. 5000-4963. A DUPLICATE COPY OF THIS SHEET IS ATTACHED.

Respectfully submitted,
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AMENDMENT/RESPONSE

In response to the Office Action dated July 1, 2003, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration in view of the following amendment and remarks.

Amendments to the Specification are reflected on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims as pending are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 11 of this paper.

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